

**Minutes of the Jasper Community Arts Commission
City of Jasper, Indiana
July 7, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Jasper Community Arts Commission was held at 4:30 pm on Tuesday, July 7, 2009, at the Jasper Arts Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and then roll call was held with the following **Commission Members Present:** Mike Jones, Robin Norris, Mickey Seger, Kendall Martin, Doug Abbett, Pat Thyen, and Norma Kreilein (arrived at 4:33 pm). **Commission Members Absent:** Greg Stoner, Ann Hilgefert, and Don Weisheit. **Staff Members Present:** Doreen Lechner, Donna Schepers, and Amy Laakman. **City Attorney:** Sandy Hemmerlein. **Guests in attendance:** Summer Intern, Beth Hochgesang, Jill Watson, Sandy Hemmerlein and Herald Reporter Kasey Hawrysz.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Kendall Martin moved to approve the minutes of the June meeting. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 6-0.

City Financial Statement

Kendall Martin moved to approve the financial statement. **Robin Norris** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Sound System

There was discussion of reallocating an additional \$4000 to upgrade the new sound system that was decided upon at the June meeting. **Doug Abbett** moved to reallocate the \$4000 from contractual services to stage equipment. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 7-0

Mike Jones motioned to then amend the previous motion from the June meeting to accept IRC Audio quote for the 6-box system for \$23,682 and monitor speaker for \$1468 for a total of \$25,150. **Doug Abbett** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Budget

Council accepted budget as presented and yet pending upon public hearings and state input. Discussion was followed about the impact of state budget cuts.

City and Regional Partnership

Robin Norris motioned to keep Jill Watson on a month to month contract for grants administration for \$900, if IAC keeps the Regional Partnership. **Pat Thyen** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director's Report/Performing Arts

Doreen reported.

- Doreen reported that the season guide was in progress and currently at the printer.
- The "I Love the Arts" contest was a great success. The contest winners' quotes are published in the season guide.

Building and Structure Report

Doreen reported.

- Doreen reported that the facilities are in full usage. Summer maintenance projects are underway as time and space permits.

Education Report

Donna reported.

- Donna reported on the principals' approval of next year's offerings.
- 1 event still pending, Dance Kaleidoscope, for the education series.
- On Friday, July 17, 2009, Donna and Mr. Keely are taking 17 students in the Jasper High School Jazz Band to perform at the Indiana Repertory Theatre.

Visual Arts Report

Amy reported.

- Amy thanked Beth Hochgesang and the custodial staff for their assistance with the ARTventures.
- Harold Brown and Barry Powell's reception was well attended.
- Michael Auckus is coming to judge the Juried Art Show, which exhibits in September. There are 44 entries, and \$2000 worth of prizes. There were many returning artists.
- The Patoka Valley Quilters Guild reception is this Sunday, July 12, 2009 from 12-2 PM. Demonstrations will be given. This exhibit will extend through the Strassenfest.

Old Business

- Donna Schepers expressed gratitude to Jill Watson for all of her hard work as member of the Education Committee and as Region 11 Coordinator. Mike Jones expressed his appreciation on behalf of the board.

Adjournment

Doug Abbett made a motion to adjourn at 4:58 p.m. **Kendall Martin** seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

Mike Jones

Attested